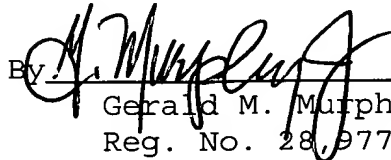


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Takuya UEDA, a citizen of Japan, residing at 4 - 204, Tokyo Univ. Syukusya, 1 - 170, Yayoicho, Inage - ku, Chiba - shi, Chiba, Japan, declare that :

1. We made and conceived the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/983,067 filed in the United States of America on October 23, 2001.
2. We made and conceived the invention in the course of our research activities at the University of Tokyo. The invention was assigned to Post Genome Institute Co., Ltd.
3. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the invention was not made in the course of, or in connection with, or under the terms of any contract, subcontract or arrangement entered into with or for the benefit of the United States Atomic Energy Commission or its successors : Energy Research and Development Administration or the Department of Energy.
4. The invention was not made (conceived or first actually reduced to practice) under nor is there any relationship of the invention to performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

5. The undersigned inventors declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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